Marine Fisheries

Ocean Fishing Pier License

What Activities Require This Permit? The license authorizes the manager of an ocean fishing pier within coastal waters to charge the public a fee to fish from a pier. This license authorizes all anglers who do not hold a CRFL to engage in recreational fishing while on the licensed pier.

What Is the Purpose of This Permit? To license and identify ocean fishing piers who charge a fee to fish.

Who Issues This Permit? N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF), License and Statistics Section.

How Much Will This Permit Cost? \$4.50 per linear foot of the pier.

Where Can I Get The Application For This Permit? Contact any N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries license office. Visit the following link for license sales locations: http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/dmf-offices.

How Long Will It Take To Review My Application? No review required for this license although there may be some time required for the DMF Marine Patrol to validate the pier length.

Where Do I Submit My Application? Any N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries License Office. Visit the following link for license sales contact information: http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/dmf-offices.

How Long Is My Permit or License or Certificate Valid? All licenses are valid for up to one year and expire on June 30.

Notes/Comments: This license is non-transferable. There are reporting requirements associated with this license.

Legal Authority/Statute Reference: General Statute 113-169.4, North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission Rules 15A NCAC 03O.0101(a).

Link: http://deg.nc.gov/about/divisions/marine-fisheries

Statewide Contact Information:

NC Division of Marine Fisheries License and Statistics Section 3441 Arendell Street Morehead City, NC 28557

Telephone: (252) 726-7021 or 1-800-682-2632

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